

PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT COUNTIES

Advisory Meeting

June 13, 2001

CDSS Training Center
815 S Street; Delta Room
Sacramento, California
SUMMARY

1. Welcome-Joeana Carpenter all the PMC supervisors to the meeting.
2. Agenda Review-Joeana Carpenter reviewed meeting agenda and asked for any additional items.
3. Summary Review-Joeana Carpenter asked for changes to the summary. None noted.
4. Q5i Update-Richard Trujillo reported that version 1.21 was released on May 30 and a few minor problems were identified in some counties. His SMU staff along with Data Builders worked on resolving the problems. A patch had been released to fix those PC's that had experienced a problem. Richard thanked all the counties that had worked with his staff on resolving the problems. Richard provided all the supervisors an handout on pending future version updates. He indicated that in the future supervisors could refer to this document and see what changes have been identified for future versions. Richard requested comments on his proposed form by 6/30.
5. CalWORKs Report and Questions-Warren Ghens made a presentation on time limits. He stated this area has become a very important issue as we get closer to the five year time limit. He indicated that he was only providing an introduction into this subject. Warren provided a draft transmittal he used in his presentation and requested comments from the supervisors no later than June 30. Warren will continue to update the group as we get closer to the five year limit.
6. Food Stamps Report and Questions-Michael Bowman-Jones was not present but Warren provided his report. Warren provided several letters from FNS that Mike had received recently. The topics of the letters included: lump sum payments; incorrect SSA benefits paid to recipients; Food Stamp waiver on denial notices for households missing second interviews. Warren indicated that any questions on any of these letters should be directed at Mike.
7. Regional Reports-Gerry reported that all their issues had been covered in the regular agenda. The PMC supervisors agreed to meet for their regional meeting in July in Riverside.
8. Data Reconciliation Report-Hector reported that Peggy has started to look at cases for October 2000. The number of warning edits showing on these cases has been greatly reduced as compared to previous efforts. Peggy Usrey reminded everyone that in this effort, cases will be returned to the counties for corrections. Peggy will first call the supervisor to alert them to the problem. Peggy will then fax a list of the case(s) so that the supervisor will be certain to receive the case(s) from SAFE. Peggy's goal is to do the data reconciliation on a flow basis throughout the year and not go through the year end rush. Peggy will also report her findings at the the PMC meetings.
9. PMC Conference-Donna Laird led a discussion on whether everyone wanted a conference. The consensus was that all the PMC supervisors wanted a conference. A discussion of

topics took place. Time limits was suggested as a possible topic. A suggestion that a special technical session be included for all the county technical staff that support the application could also be included. Donna Laird suggested that a session on sharing county work tools could also be included that would help counties better meet deadlines. Gerry Greer suggested that a workshop on conflict resolution be included. Pam Neely proposed that a workshop on what is expected to be included in a TANF folder such as documentation also be considered. Daphne suggested a session on Food Stamp error rates and their impact on the State be included. Joeana suggested that Lisa Kim be invited to the conference. Marietta Jubert was asked to contact FNS for funding the conference attendees. Pam Neely also suggested a session on the Welfare to Work Program. The supervisors tentatively agreed to November 6-8, 2001 for the conference.

10. QSI Reports Workgroup-Richard Trujillo reported that his committee (Evalyn, Gerry, Bill and Daphne) looked at the reports issue. They identified those reports that are no longer needed. On those that are needed the group identified what changes were required to bring them up to date. In addition, some new reports were identified. A recommendation to Data Builders has already been made. Richard will be meeting with Data Builders to review the report recommendation and he report to the PMC supervisors at the August meeting on the status.
11. Earnings Benefit Model-Frank Andersen provided a copy of the CalWORKs Benefit Model he developed. He thanked the supervisors for ensuring the quality of data because the results of their efforts was demonstrated in the numerous publications his unit publishes. Frank reviewed his model and showed how benefits increase and decrease based on income and other factors.
12. TANF Data (phone survey)-Joeana Carpenter thanked the PMC counties for responding quickly to a request to determine what type of information was available to conduct a phone survey.
13. Food Stamp Corrective Action Bureau Report-Lisa Lacey was present and she provided a handout on the Corrective Action Management Evaluation Unit showing her staff and their assignments. A discussion on the Food Stamp sanctions and the process to determine the final penalty took place. Lisa indicated that each county that is sanctioned must reinvest their portion of the penalty using county general funds. Each county must submit reinvestment plans. A discussion on what can done by the counties using reinvestment funds followed. Lisa stated she will keep counties up to date on the penalty process and status.
14. Other
15. Next Meeting- August 8, 2001